

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A system that prevents fragments of a disc from escaping from a drive, the system comprising:

a drive; and

a fragment barricade affixed within the drive,

wherein the fragment barricade is positioned within the drive so as to
protect a disc from ejection from the drive.

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2. The system of claim 1 wherein the fragment barricade is fixedly in the drive.

mounted within the drive.

3. The system of claim 1 wherein the drive includes a top enclosure and barricade is mounted within the top enclosure.

4. The system of claim 1 wherein the drive is a CD-ROM drive.

5. The system of claim 1 wherein the fragment barricade is formed from a metal.

6. The system of claim 1 wherein the fragment barricade is formed from a hard material.

7. The system of claim 1 wherein the fragment barricade is formed from a flexible material.

8. The system of claim 1 wherein the fragment barricade is an elongate member.

9. The system of claim 1 wherein the fragment barricade includes an attachment element.

10. A fragment barricade comprising an elongate member, wherein the fragment barricade is positionable within a drive so as to prevent fragments of a disc from escaping from the drive.

1 11. A method of preventing fragments of a disc from escaping from a
2 drive, the method comprising:
3 providing a drive;
4 providing a fragment barricade; and
5 affixing the fragment barricade within the drive;
6 wherein the fragment barricade is positioned within the drive so as to prevent fragments of a
7 disc from escaping from the drive.